

THE BILLS have come in for our Christmas shopping, and this is about the way things stand now:

The holidays have come and gone, And I'm not broke. Let's sing a song.

EVEN THE FRUITS have their problems, to-wit: Said one strawberry to the other: "If we hadn't been caught in the same bed together, we wouldn't be in this jam."

A. O. TINDAL was reported to have had a pretty cold night of things recently. The family had some of their grandchildren home for the season, and when the popular trucker, caught unprepared by the cold spell, complained to his grandson that he couldn't sleep.

A COUPLE of Hamlin hunters, during the recent deer hunting season, after being caught a long way from camp at meal time, reportedly went to a house in their hunting area to see if they could buy their lunch.

SOME HAMLIN PARENTS have been having some difficulty getting over their baby girl the idea that bedtime comes earlier than she thinks. Put another way, that gives us an excuse for this bit of so-called poetry:

A baffling parental problem—A sequence unforeseen: How to get the baby to sleep After she's eighteen!

SOME WISEACRE comes to the surface with his opinion of a plan to save a lot of the marriages of today:

BEING a young father with two little dividends, we are stumped many times what to do about the child raisin problems that confront us. One of the big enigmas about discipline is:

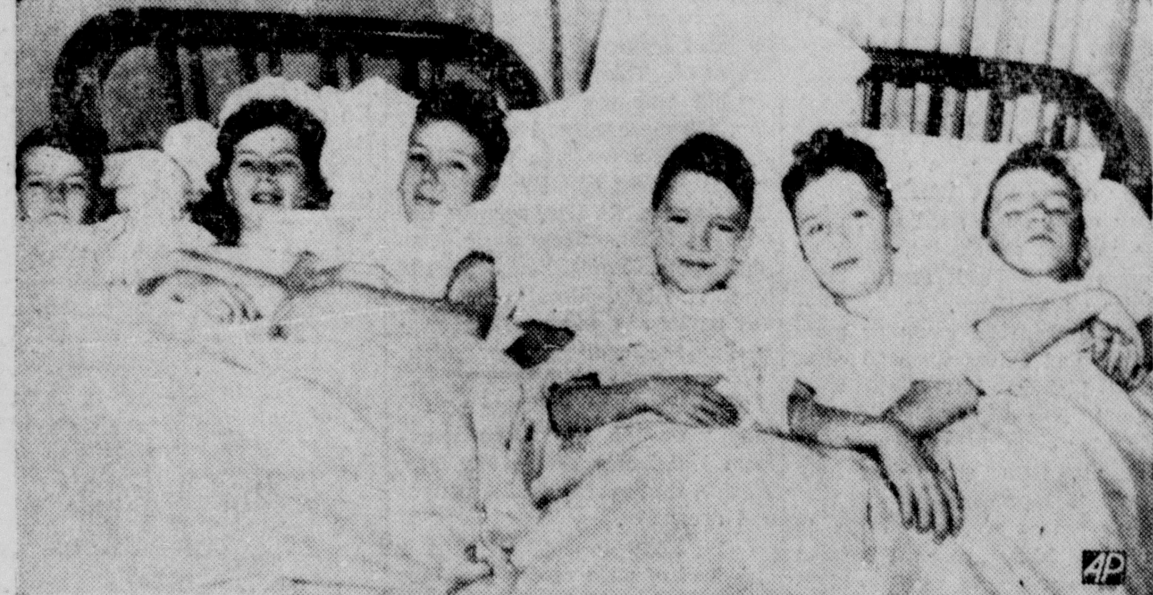
Should we convey it vocally Through often heedless ears; Or should we lay it locally Upon their little rears?

Completions, Deepening and New Tests Highlight Oil Picture of Area for Week

Two completions, one deepening project, a new location and two major tests of deep wells in the Hamlin area highlight the oil development picture for the week.

Nienda Community To Sponsor Program For March of Dimes

A program at which funds for the March of Dimes will be raised has been announced for next Thursday evening at the Nienda community center. The program is being sponsored by the Good Neighbor Home Demonstration Club.



ALL CHILD UP—The six children of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer S. Moyes of Hurst are recovering in a Fort Worth hospital after all six had their tonsils removed earlier. Left to right, they are: Robert, Evelyn, Odus, Harry, Richard and Thomas. Except for slightly sore throats, they were reported as doing fine.

Cotton Outlook Not Rosy, But Farmers Must Make Changes

Agent Reviews Prospects and Market Picture

Outlook for cotton for 1954 is one of large supplies and moderate or less demand, declares Bill Lehmburg, county cotton agent, who says a situation of this kind is not too favorable to prices. This situation will cause Texas cotton producers to make sharp adjustment in their plans for the 1954 crop year.



NEW PRESIDENT OF the Hamlin Chamber of Commerce is Delma Shelburne (above), building contractor, who succeeds C. L. Howard. He was named in the first business session of the new board of directors Tuesday morning.

Officers of Bank Reelected When Stockholders Meet

All officers of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank were re-elected for the ensuing year when stockholders met at the bank building Tuesday afternoon. The directors' meeting at which the officers were named followed the stockholders' gathering.

Jake Lawson New Chief of Hamlin Fire Department

Jake Lawson, gas company manager at Hamlin, was elected fire chief when members of the Hamlin Volunteer Fire Department met in annual business session last Thursday evening at the fire hall. He succeeds Lee Hastings.

Other officers elected for the coming year are: Earl Johnson, assistant chief; Jack Hames, second assistant chief; J. D. Cochran, president; L. J. Cunningham, vice president; June Jones, secretary-treasurer; Othell Murphree, assistant secretary; Ed Branscum, drill captain; Lee Hastings, assistant drill captain; Travis Conner, Group 1 fire captain; Bryant Conner, Group 2 fire captain; Mike Murphree, mascot; Earl Johnson, pension warden.

C. C. Renfro Has Four Boys at Hamlin Home

Family reunion of C. C. Renfro, 75-year-old Hamlin resident who has spent about 40 years here, was almost complete during the holiday. Four sons whom the elder Renfro had not seen together for 12 years were here. A daughter, Mrs. Aline Dalton of Odessa, was unable to attend the get-together.

Speaker for Banquet For CC Not Selected

Definite date for the annual membership banquet of the Hamlin Chamber of Commerce had not been set early this week since a speaker for the affair had not been secured, reported W. T. Johnson, program chairman.

Gas Company Laying New Mains in Hamlin

About 500 feet of two-inch gas being laid on South Central Avenue by Lone Star Gas Company. The mains are replacing old pipe laid several years ago, some of which was only 1 1/4-inch, states Jake Lawson, local Lone Star manager.

Delma Shelburne Elected Hamlin C. of C. President

Sunday Schools of City Show Gain Over Last Year

Sunday School attendance at Hamlin churches reporting in The Herald's first tabulation as a new feature of Your Home Town Paper showed a gain over that of a year ago, but, due to the bad weather that persisted Sunday, the total was 119 below that of the previous Sunday.

The Herald has endeavored to contact all churches of the community, but any that failed to get their reports to the paper this week are urged to name someone to phone the report to The Herald every Monday morning in order to continue the feature.

| Church | Jan. 3 | Jan. 10 | Year Ago |
|------------------|--------|---------|----------|
| Church of Christ | 145 | 125 | 112 |
| Mexican Baptist | 35 | 22 | 20 |
| First Baptist | 423 | 368 | 363 |
| Faith Methodist | 38 | 40 | — |
| N. Cen. Baptist | — | — | — |
| First Methodist | 171 | 148 | 155 |
| Ch. of Nazarene | — | — | — |
| Pentecostal | — | — | — |
| Foursquare | — | — | — |
| Oak Grove, Col. | — | — | — |
| Assembly of God | 38 | 37 | 33 |
| Calvary Baptist | 69 | 60 | 36 |
| Totals | 919 | 800 | 719 |

TB Group to Ask for Mobile X-Ray Unit

Extension committee of the Jones County Tuberculosis Association met at the courthouse in Anson Monday evening. Mrs. Ellis of Stamford presided.

Midwest Firemen to Meet at Albany Next

Next semi-annual meeting of the Midwest Texas Firemen's Association will be held the second Thursday in April at Albany, it was announced this week by Jake Lawson of Hamlin, president of the group following a directors' meeting last week held at Haskell.



SESAME THAT DOESN'T OPEN—Ali Baba's "Open Sesame" opened the door to riches. But a new strain of sesame, the ancient oil producing plant, whose pods don't open and scatter their seed, promises to open the doors to new profits for Texas farmers. Carl Uland, above, farmer living near Plano, holds two stalks of heavily fruited sesame developed at the Texas Research Foundation at Renner. Uland, who had 10 acres in sesame, is one of many farmers over the state reporting success in growing the plant commercially.

March of Dimes in Hamlin Gets Rolling

Early response to the annual March of Dimes campaign in the Hamlin community has been good, reports Gene Prewitt, drive chairman. A check of the test tube receptacles first of the week revealed that considerable change is coming in at the counters of many Hamlin business houses.

Methodist Men of Faith Church Get Charter Tuesday

A new organization of Methodist men in Faith Methodist Church of Southeast Hamlin has been chartered by Methodist's General Board of Lay Activities in Chicago, and was presented a charter in a special service Tuesday evening.

Lions to Attend Two Region Club Sessions

Several members of the Hamlin Lions Club are scheduled to attend two area meetings within the next few days, it was revealed at the Tuesday luncheon gathering of the local club.

General Crude Folks Attend Head's Funeral

Three employees of General Crude Oil Company at Hamlin—C. W. Griggs, J. F. Hulsey and Joe League—were in Houston Thursday to attend the funeral of Thomas William Pew, 49-year-old president of the company, who died Monday night at his home in Houston.

New Directors Installed Tuesday At First Session

Delma Shelburne, Hamlin building contractor, was elected president of the Hamlin Chamber of Commerce when directors for the new year met Tuesday morning in their first official gathering with the four new directors who were elected recently.

Dr. W. S. Seals, dentist, was named first vice president. Shelburne had been vice president the past year.

Shelburne took office immediately. He succeeds C. L. Howard, drug store owner.

New directors installed as the first official act of the group were Weldon Johnson, John Howard Jr., George Malouf and Dr. W. S. Seals. These four succeed John D. Ferguson, C. L. Howard, Clyde Grice and Wesley Nail.

Group from Calvary Baptist Church Wins Banner at District

Nine people from the Calvary Baptist Church of Hamlin attended the monthly young people meeting of the North Colorado District Tuesday evening at the Palava church in Nolan County, and brought back the attendance banner.

Federal Reserve Man To Speak to Clubs

Dr. W. H. Irons, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, will speak at a joint meeting of the Hamlin Rotary and Lions Clubs on January 27, it was announced this week by officials of the two civic groups.

Who's New This Week

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Crowe of Lake Jackson are announcing the birth on December 5 at Freepoint Hospital of a daughter. She has been named Karen Ann and tipped the scales at five pounds nine ounces. The little miss is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crowe of Hamlin.

Two New Arrivals, Both Girls, Announced by the Hamlin Memorial Hospital as the Newborns Since Last Week's Report in The Herald. They are:

A girl for Mr. and Mrs. Sam Taylor of McCaulley arrived January 5 at 6:40 p. m. She has been named Virginia Lou.

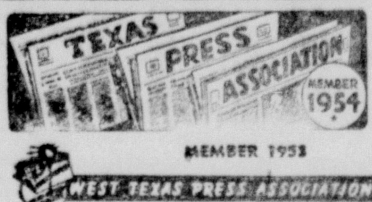
A girl for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bragg of Midland was born January 7 at 5:35 a. m. Her name could not be ascertained.

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YES, THE NATIONAL DEBT IS OUR CONCERN, TOO

Apparently too many of us right here in the Hamlin section feel like the national debt is inevitable, and that we can do little about it. But maybe if enough of us would show apprehension, we could do something about it. It is our concern, too.

The national debt at the end of October was within shouting distance of the legal limit of \$275,000,000,000, and still rising. Nevertheless, it appears almost certain that the treasury will be able to squeak through until January, when the inflow of taxes will be higher and some hoped-for reductions in spending may begin to have an effect.

Additional borrowing in early November brought the debt to about \$724,500,000,000, and it was slated to remain close to that figure for the next couple of months. During these months, the government was to spend more than it took in, but to avoid additional borrowing it could draw on the cash in its general fund. As of November 1 there was more than \$6,000,000,000 in this fund, but the treasury wasn't too happy about the situation because the balance would have to be drawn down considerably to meet the expect-

ed November and December deficits. Spending has been running about \$6,000,000,000 a month, and the treasury thinks that it should keep that much cash on hand as a minimum. Senator Byrd, among others, has disagreed with this point of view, saying that there wouldn't be anything wrong with running the balance down to \$3,000,000,000 or so if necessary.

The merits of this argument were being tested as the year 1953 closed, since the treasury estimated that to keep the debt below the ceiling, it would have to draw the general fund down to about \$3,500,000,000 by the close of December.

From January to June of this year, tax receipts will be heavy (there is always a concentration in those months) and the debt situation will ease. However, from July on, the problem will be back with us—and if spending is not reduced sharply, the situation actually will be more ticklish than it is today. The treasury has already asked once to have the ceiling raised, and it will not be at all surprising if it comes through with another request during the session of Congress that has just convened.

City Park Dresses Up

Hamlin City Park, which had been permitted to gradually deteriorate from its once-attractive appearance, has been taking on a more presentable general look over the past several months—thanks to the tenacious spirit of members of the Business and Professional Women's Club. And by tenacious we mean a determination to stick to a project despite the apparent lethargy and don't-give-a-hoot attitude of many of our citizens.

Our hats are off to those women who have found little cooperation and concern, but who keep coming back for further attempts at cleaning up that civic center. It is just such spirit as that which will put the park and other projects over—and those public-spirited women will look back to a job well done. They will live to see their work appreciated, too, by the very folks who take a let-George-do-it attitude when the work is being done.

But, girls, that's the way lots of projects are accomplished—without cooperation and despite even apparent opposition at times. Many worthwhile accomplishments, especially for the public good, come only to those who go ahead without the desired cooperation. Your pride in your community and the determination to do something about it will find rewards in satisfaction of a project well done—just you mark our word!

Experience Convinces

The way to get a bellyful of socialism is to live under it.

England is a perfect example. The classic attitude of the British Labor party is that the state should own all important enterprise, and the party went a long way in that direction before the voters threw it out of office. A short time ago the party held its annual conference, with 3,000 delegates in attendance. Proposals to nationalize the lands, arms plant and the aircraft and machine tools industries were voted down. A typical comment came from a coal miner who said: "A boss is a boss, no matter whether he gets the job from the state or private owners. Sometimes the bosses of private industry are more reasonable to deal with."

The British people are lucky, in that they can speak their minds and vote. The other victims of communism and socialism aren't so fortunate. Nothing short of war or revolution can unseat their oppressors.

In the man whose childhood has known toadstools and kindness, there is always a fiber of memory that can be touched to gentle issues.—George Eliot.

Either Advertising Pays—

Advertising, one of the world's leading ways to informed people when it comes to merchandise, is a paying proposition, both to the advertiser and the reader-consumer. Advertising pays the small business man as well as the large corporation. In fact, the reason the most prosperous businesses continue to advertise consistently and continuously is not promptings of any unwarranted love they may have for the newspaper.

Here's what the advertising director for Sears-Roebuck in Georgia said recently in addressing the Georgia Press Association:

"Sears spends 98 per cent of their retail advertising dollar in newspapers, and here's why: Newspaper advertising has been given the test and we know it pays off."

He went on to point out that when Sears has a newspaper ad and it doesn't pay off, they know it isn't the newspaper's fault. "We know that they do the job of circulating the ad. We take the blame for any advertising's failure to click."

Editorial of the Week

DON'T BE A VOMBIE!

Definition: A Vombie is a person who, although living, is dead as far as his country is concerned, because he hasn't paid his poll tax and is, therefore, ineligible to vote.

The Jaycees have launched a laudable effort to bring Vombies back to legal life by urging every Coryell Countian to pay his poll tax before January 31, and promising to haunt him until he does.

It shouldn't take too much prodding to get even a run-of-the-mill type of citizen in the mood to fork over \$1.75 for that little white poll tax receipt—the passport to one of the greatest rights this country offers: To pick those who will govern you. The year 1954 promises to be a big one politically. A harbinger of a busy campaign is the announcement of 15 candidates for county offices at the very start of the year.

The voting will start with the municipal and school elections in April and continue through the primaries in July and August on to the general election in November. Yes, it will be a busy year for ballot-markers, and—

Wouldn't it be

A heck of a note

If by not paying your tax

You lost your vote?

What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child that must the community want for all its children.—John Dewey.

Experience teacheth that resolution is a sole help in need.—Shakespeare.

RECALLING Other Years

☆ Being news items taken from old files of Your Home Town Newspaper, The Herald

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Among goings-on in the Hamlin territory of 20 years ago were the following, as recorded in the files of The Hamlin Herald dated January 12, 1934:

Piggly Wiggly was advertising candy at 10 cents per pound; flour, 43-pound sack for \$1.55; lettuce at five cents per head; and coffee at 19 cents per pound.

Members of the Junior class at Hamlin High School announced a play for Friday night entitled "Big Business." Characters were J. C. Turner, Pearl Morris, Sara Ellen Nicholson, Leone Bowman, W. L. Boyd, Lucille Owen, Warren Nobles, Marvin York, LaRue Collier, Marjorie O'Donnell and Imogene Howard. Between-act performers were J. H. Crabbs, Mary Beth Moody, Mina Faye Cotten, Myrtle Gens Deel, Vivian Brice, Jewel May, Cassie Faye Rowland, Irene Thompson and Louise Parker. Stage managers were Leroy Dillingham and John McBride.

Cashier Tate May of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Tom Holman left Wednesday for Houston on business with the Federal Land Bank.

Geneva Aldridge left Monday for Belton, where she enrolled as a student at Baylor College.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hopper were greeted Saturday by the arrival Saturday of a fine daughter, who has been named Erma Gail.

TWELVE YEARS AGO.

Among news items of 12 years ago in the Hamlin community were the following, taken from the files of The Hamlin Herald dated January 16, 1942:

M. Y. Wilson, age 21, son of Mrs. M. Y. Wilson of Hamlin, has volunteered for the Army Air Service and is now stationed at Sheppard Air Field at Wichita Falls.

A family reunion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Crew Sunday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mills, Mrs. J. Arthur Mills and daughter, Elizabeth Ann of Abilene; Mrs. Johnny Ashworth and daughter, Rebecca Jane, of Houston; Mrs. Mary Robinson of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Newman and sons, Preston and Royce, and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Crew and children, C. E. and Patsy, of Crosbyton; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Elliott, Mrs. W. H. Holcomb and son, W. H., Mr. and Mrs. James W. Patterson, Mrs. Sybil Crew and children, Billy, Sybil and Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Patterson and daughter, Geneva Pauline, Mrs. Girtue Patterson and son, Edgar, all of Hamlin.

FIVE YEARS AGO.

Among news events of five years ago in the Hamlin territory, as recorded in the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated January 21, 1949, follow:

Hamlin area was isolated first of the week by snow and icy conditions that downed telephone and electric power lines to the city. Electricity was off most of the time Tuesday and Wednesday due to broken highlines.

Howard Hall was elected president of the Hamlin Volunteer Fire Department at the annual feast and business meeting of the department Thursday night.

Jones County residents bought more than half a million dollars in defense bonds during 1948, according to A. C. Humphrey of Stamford, county bond chairman. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pope of Hamlin, in the Callan Hospital at Rotan on December 31, a son, who has been named Danny Wayne.

Clyde Angel, cashier of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, has been named a member of the Seaberry committee, created to make recommendations for basic Texas laws.

ONE YEAR AGO.

Among happenings of a year ago in Hamlin were the following, as recorded by files of The Hamlin Herald dated January 16, 1953:

Jesse N. (Red) Burditt Jr. has resigned as coach at Hamlin High School to accept a position as coach at Lockhart. He will be succeeded by Vernon Townsend, who has been assistant coach.

Jones County club boys sponsors voted last week to stage the annual Club Boys Livestock Show this spring despite the bad year because of the drought. T. C. Blankenship, VA teacher at Hamlin High School, said the show will be held at Stamford.

Holly Toler, Wood Cowan, Noel Weaver and J. E. Patterson were elected new directors of the Hamlin Chamber of Commerce in the balloting of members that closed last week-end.

J. C. Riddle of Hamlin and Ola Henson Stinson of Stamford were married Saturday evening in rites at Stamford.

Young Men Visit Fort Worth Stockyards To See Workings of Markets with Stock

The stockyards at Fort Worth have been the scene of visits by some groups of young people lately that showed a very great interest in the study of livestock marketing, writes Ted Goudy, special market reporter for The Herald, in this week's release. He continues: The sharp drop of farm prices of the past couple of years has made market know-how of much greater importance to everyone.

On Monday a class of young men from Texas A. & M. College under Ike Hahlberg were at Fort Worth and made an on-the-spot study of the Fort Worth market. They came on a good day, from the market standpoint, since all classes of livestock staged brisk rallies on that day.

Cattle were 50 cents or more higher, and calves were 50 cents to \$1 higher. Fat lambs were around 50 cents higher, and slaughter ewes were strong to 50 cents up. Other sheep were fully steady to stronger.

Hog prices were 50 cents to mostly \$1 higher, and the top was \$26. Sows were \$1 to \$1.50 higher at \$19 to \$22.50.

Another group of young men were on the market last week and they were the youths engaged in the economy beef production program sponsored by the Waco Chamber of Commerce and business men of Waco.

This program offers development of the rich Central Texas farm lands as a diversified farming-livestock producing area that will be increasingly important since severe acreage allotments are upcoming next. The need for new revenue producing plans for farmers is apparent, and combining farming with livestock growing brings better balance to the operation.

In the Waco group were George Logan of the First National Bank and Leon Thompson of Citizens National Bank of Waco; Othel Neely of the Chamber of Commerce; James Eppright and Jimmy Simons of Texas Power & Light Company; J. C. Fox, ag instructor at Waco; and O. L. Nedbalek, ag instructor at West.

The boys had steers that sold all the way from \$14 for a Jersey steer up to \$22 for some choice fat cattle.

In the group of boys were Max Hatter of Moody, Hildred Redding of Lorena, Wendell Edwards of West, Albert Trulock of Reagan, Stanley Rantz of Waco, Larry Burro, Reisel and Nelson Ray Cawthon of Waco.

The Peaster Future Farmers of America were on hand with some top hogs late last week and along with Instructor Sanford White

were Robert Deal, Clifford Harris, James Stults, Lowell Yates, Raymond Yates, Tommy Ray, Huelyn Duval, Larry Shields, Howard Plumlee, Norman Rudolph, Happy Dawson and Jerry Clinton.

The first bunch of milk fat lambs of the New Year arrived Monday. These lambs were shipped to Fort Worth by Walter Stephens of Concho County. The 98 head averaged 72 pounds and drew \$19. This price was also top for old crop woolled lambs Monday. The eastward march of sheep production was pointed up by a shipment of 75 woolled ewes that averaged 126 pounds and brought \$8.50. They came from Shreveport, Louisiana, consigned by A. H. Kelly. He also had some \$18 lambs and \$14 yearling muttens in the load.

From the opposite side of the map were the 180 shorn lambs from Hal Bogle of Dexter, New Mexico, that averaged 99 1/2 pounds and drew \$19.

A load of good feeder yearlings were sent in by John Capp of Hall County. Twenty head weighed 658 pounds at \$18.

Northeast Texas was represented with C. A. Malone's steers from Clarksville. One hundred and twenty-five steers weighing 1,139 pounds drew \$20; 45 head at 1,041 pounds drew \$18; and 25 head at 901 pounds drew \$17. Harry Akin of Travis County had a load of 950-pound steers at \$22. National Livestock Company of Carlsbad, New Mexico, marketed a load of 598-pound cows at \$7, and some odd baby calves at \$13.50.

Haskell Pastor to Talk At Baptist Brotherhood

Rev. James Edge, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Haskell, will speak at the monthly meeting of the Men's Brotherhood of the Calvary Baptist Church next Thursday evening.

Audley Neagle is president of the church group, and Bill Butler is secretary.

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Eight Jones County Boys Enrolled Now at Texas A. & M. College

Eight Jones County boys are enrolled at Texas A. & M. College, according to a report to The Herald from the registrar. Two are from Hamlin.

The students are: James L. Burkhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Burkhardt of Hamlin, Earl W. Connell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Connell of 802 Avenue I, Anson; John Edward Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hill of Stamford; Herbert E. McClendon, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. McClendon of 606 East Reynolds Street, Stamford; Ernest G. Pittman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Pittman of Anson; Buford C. Spraberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Spraberry of Anson; Gerald Joe Vasek, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vasek of Route 3, Stamford; and Thomas H. Williams, son of Mrs. V. Williams of Hamlin.

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Records of legal transactions in the county clerk's office at Anson of interest to Hamlin area people, as supplied by the clerk's office to The Herald, have included:

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No. 4724: Affirmation of Non-Production—Gerald L. Proctor et al. to Public, December 15, 1953. Being the south 35.74 acres of Subdivision 31 of S. P. Austin & Williams League 340, and the north 51 acres of subdivision 8, Austin & Williams League.

Filed December 17, 1953.

No. 4725: Assignment of Oil Lease—Carl Robinson to American Liberty Oil Company, November 5, 1953. Being all of the southwest quarter of Section 42, B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands, being undivided one-half interest.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4726 and 4727: Assignment of Oil Lease—Carl Robinson to Wayne Petroleum Company, November 5, 1953. Being (1) undivided one-fourth interest in all of the southwest quarter of Section 42, B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands, (2) Carl Robinson to R. R. Robinson, November 5, 1953, being 1-18th interest in land as above, (3) Carl Robinson to R. R. Robinson, being 1-18th interest in land as above.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4728: Warranty Deed—T. E. Dennis et al. to T. E. Dennis, December 18, 1953. Being all of Lot 4 and the north half of Lot 5, Block 18, Moore's Addition to Hamlin.

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No. 4729: Deed of Trust—Ralph Andrus et al. to T. E. Dennis, December 18, 1953. Being same land as under our file 4728.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4730: Mineral Deed—T. E. Dennis et al. to T. E. Dennis, December 18, 1953. Being part of A. Glenn Survey 264 of H. V. Smith Survey 263, a part of L. H. Blackburn Survey 262 and part of the north half of Section 6, Block 17, T. & P. Railway Company Lands.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4731: Oil Lease—Mrs. Minerva J. Lewis et al. to Rock Hill Oil Company, November 9, 1953. Being the north half of Lot 4, Block 5 of Cockrell & Gray Subdivision of D. H. Rector, One-year term.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4732: Oil Lease—Frank E. Smith et al. to Rock Hill Oil Company, October 1, 1953. Being all of the north half of Lot 4, Block 5, Cockrell & Gray Subdivision of D. H. Rector and being part of survey 21, Block 14, T. & P. Railway Company Lands, containing 80 acres.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4733: Assignment of Oil Lease—United States Oil Company of Texas to W. Clair Harris, November 3, 1953. Being (1) undivided one-half interest in the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 208, E. B. & C. Railway Company Lands, containing 81.25 acres; (2) being undivided one-half interest in all of the acreage of the southwest quarter of Survey 206, B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands, containing 81.25 acres.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4734: Warranty Deed—Alyna D. Castleberry et al. to Anna D. Bryson, November 25, 1953. Being all of Lot 9, Block 15 of Original Town of Hamlin.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4735: Release of Deed of Trust—Abilene Savings Association to R. C. Hickey, May 27, 1953. Being Lot 3 and the north half of Lot 4, Block 20 of Original Town of Hamlin.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4736: Assignment of Oil Lease—J. W. Buchanan to Charles F. Passell, February 25, 1953. Being 414 acres out of B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands Survey 36, Abstract 1418.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4737: Assignment of Oil Lease—B. Baldrige to James Fox et al., December 15, 1953. Being 190 acres out of the west half of Section 22, Block 2, S. P. Railway Company Lands. Assigner retained.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4738: Assignment of Oil Lease—J. W. Buchanan to Charles F. Passell, February 25, 1953. Being 414 acres out of B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands Survey 36, Abstract 1418.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4739: Assignment of Oil Lease—B. Baldrige to James Fox et al., December 15, 1953. Being 190 acres out of the west half of Section 22, Block 2, S. P. Railway Company Lands. Assigner retained.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4740: Assignment of Oil Lease—J. W. Buchanan to Charles F. Passell, February 25, 1953. Being 414 acres out of B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands Survey 36, Abstract 1418.

Filed December 18, 1953.

No. 4741: Assignment of Oil Lease—J. W. Buchanan to Charles F. Passell, February 25, 1953. Being 414 acres out of B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands Survey 36, Abstract 1418.

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No. 4742: Assignment of Oil Lease—J. W. Buchanan to Charles F. Passell, February 25, 1953. Being 414 acres out of B. B. & C. Railway Company Lands Survey 36, Abstract 1418.

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Raymond E. Scifres Pens Poem in Honor Of Hamlin Mother

"My Dear Mother" is the title of a poem sent recently to his mother, Mrs. Eula Scifres of Hamlin, by Private First Class Raymond E. Scifres, who is serving with an Army unit on Okinawa Island in the Pacific.

The poem follows:

I know there is no other
Who could take the place of one, dear mother.
Though many hardships she has found,
She would never let them get her down.
Even though life, it has been hard,
She still labors when she is tired.

Six boys she raised in life,
Trying to make a better strife.
Even though her husband died in April,
I pray to God to keep her going some day.
She would not give up the world divine,
To raise the six up from a child.
She even made it look like mild.

Now the boys are all grown,
And left at home their mother alone.
They will watch over her for they are known.
For her life they owe their own.
Even though she is sixty now,
I pray to God to keep her going some day.

Though I am across the sea so bright,
Each night I pray the Lord to give her light.
For when my brother and I return in September, fifty-four,
We will see her and the other four.
When she says goodbye and goes on,
The brightest star in heaven will be shown.

When that brightest star in heaven is shown,
Even though with the angels she will be known.
Do, God, watch over her until I return,
For her is my every year.
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Prevention Plays Vital Health Role Rotary Unit Told

"Preventative medicine of today is responsible for much of the gains made in longevity," declared Dr. E. D. Perrin, member of the staff of Hamlin Memorial Hospital, when he spoke Wednesday noon at the luncheon meeting of Hamlin Rotary Club.

Perrin went on to outline some of the safety measures that contribute to longer life, including: Inspection of food and handlers, inoculation of dairy herds, immunization of school children, inspection of water sterilization, proper sewage disposal and proper burial and cremation of corpses, both animal and human.

Dr. Perrin recommended as most important three measures to further prevent outbreaks of diseases. They are: Proper immunization of school and pre-school children, which, he declared, is not now required in Hamlin; pre-employment physical examinations; and routine physical examinations at least once a year.

Wesley Nail, business manager at the hospital, gave some statistics on patients handled during 1953 at the hospital. Of the 1,450 patients last year, Nail said, two per cent were accident victims; 14 per cent were surgery patients; and 84 per cent were medical cases. Two major diseases of the area, he declared, are heart disease and cancer.

Announcement was made of the forthcoming appearance of Dr. W. H. Iron of Dallas on January 27 at a joint meeting of the Hamlin Rotary and Lions Clubs.

Besides Perrin, guests at the Wednesday luncheon included Ed Irwin of Sweetwater, Hugh M. Hardy and Harvey McNeely of Abilene, Jim McCulloch of Stamford, R. J. LeFevre of Anson and Ray Sorenberg of Sylvester.

The wolf at the door often starts a man climbing.

Mrs. Lou V. Gabel Dies In Hamlin Hospital

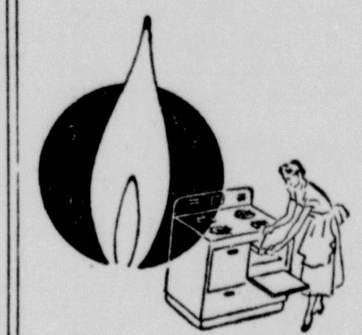
Funeral services for Mrs. Lou V. Gabel, 85-year-old resident of Rotan for many years, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Weathersbee Funeral Chapel in Rotan, attended by a number of Hamlin area people who knew the pioneer.

Mrs. Gabel died in the Hamlin Memorial Hospital Tuesday night after a brief illness.

Interment was in the Roby Cemetery under direction of Weathersbee.

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The Herald's Page for Women



Hamlin Business and Professional Women Help to Promote Jury Service

Jury service for women of the state of Texas is one of the projects being sponsored this year by members of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs of the state, and members of the Hamlin chapter of the organization are cooperating in the movement, it was announced this week by Jo Hargrove, president.

There are only six states in the United States that do not permit women to do jury service, it is pointed out by releases submitted to the Hamlin B&PW Club.

Texas is one of those six states.

There is a resolution coming up in the Texas Legislature at the next session to provide for a constitutional amendment which will make women eligible to serve on juries.

Three pertinent questions are submitted as part of the release to B&PW officials that give interesting information about the jury service for women proposition. They follow:

1. Would Texas women be compelled to serve on juries if this law should be passed? No. They would have the same exemptions that now apply to men (for example, persons over 60 years old, school teachers, etc.), and would in addition have exemptions for women with children and for other special categories.

2. Why does Texas need women jurors? Women are taxpayers and intelligent voting citizens. Our courts need to use women, just as schools, business and government are using them.

3. How can I help Texas over the line to join the 42 states that have already granted jury service to women? Ask your representative and senator in the State Legislature to sponsor this legislation when it comes up in January. Then help to pass it as a constitutional amendment by discussing its importance with neighbors and friends.

Dr. Minnie L. Maffett of Dallas, past national president of the Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, has this to say about the movement: "Women should be allowed to assume their share of the responsibility in one of the most important duties of citizenship today."

Bible Quiz Features Baptist YWA Meet

An interesting Bible quiz was given by Atha Lea Grice as the feature of the meeting of members of the Young Woman's Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church in the home of Angela Malouf. Tobye Sellers gave the opening prayer.

Those present were Tobye Sellers, Atha Lea Grice, Lunelle Lewis, Jo Hargrove, Faith Simpson, Ava Beatty, Angela Malouf, Sara June Walker, Almata Niedeken, Ann Cochran and Cecelia Albritton, new members.

WITH CHEESE DIPS.

There are lots of accompaniments for first course cheese dips. Some of them are potato chips, pretzel sticks, celery wedges, carrot sticks, small crackers, Melba toast and tiny thin slices of salty rye bread.

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New Officers Installed By Friendship Club at Friday Gathering

New officers for the Friendship Home Demonstration Club of Hamlin for the ensuing year were installed by Mrs. Ray Johnson when members of the club met Friday afternoon at the oil mill guest house. Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Ray Johnson and Mrs. Esther Hastings.

New officers are: Mrs. June Jones, president; Mrs. Elbert Payne, vice president; Mrs. W. M. Brown, secretary; Mrs. Sol Branscum, treasurer; Mrs. Esther Hastings, council delegate; Mrs. Ed Branscum, reporter; Mrs. Ray Johnson, calendar girl; Mrs. Grady Smith, recreation leader; Mrs. W. B. Britton, parliamentarian.

Following the installation ceremony, refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. Edd Rodgers, J. E. Johnson, M. S. Johnson, Harry Gardner, H. E. Brown, H. S. Stovall, John Hix, Jack Collins, D. W. Carlton, W. M. Brown, Sol Branscum, Robert Johnson, Ray Brown, James Brown, Ruby Smith, Ray Johnson, Elbert Payne, Bert Fomby, June Jones and Ed Branscum, members; and one visitor, Mrs. Winston Hayes.

USE LEFT-OVER TURKEY.

So many good dishes to make with left-over turkey! Serve it in a curry sauce with accompaniments of crumbled crisp bacon, moist coconut, salted ground peanuts and chutney. Team it with cooked noodles and a well seasoned cream sauce for a casserole dish. Use it in croquettes and deep-fat fry; serve with baked sweet potatoes, scalloped tomatoes and a crisp green salad.

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MARCY LEE of Dallas picks up the predominant color in a woven cotton plaid dress with a solid-color brief jacket for spring into summer wear.

Dallas Fashion Center Photo

AROUND THE COUNTY

By Jimmie Lou Waincott,
County Demonstration Agent.

Spring isn't here yet, but it is time to start thinking about those gardens. You can begin by making the garden fence hen- and rabbit-proof. Another job that's timely now is to put down barnyard fertilizer and plow the garden to a depth of eight to 10 inches. After plowing, leave the plot rough until time to work it up into beds for your spring plantings.

Also, this is the traditional fire-side gardening month and the time to study those seed catalogs. It's time, too, to buy your beet, spinach, carrot, lettuce and sweet corn seed for planting next month. These, along with early Irish potatoes, cabbage and onions, should make up the early garden. But in any case, get that garden plowed now, because plowing the soil at this season and fertilizing it with

barnyard fertilizer will make your vegetables grow off better.

Jones County 4-H Clubs are again thinking about sewing. This week we start our first demonstrations on clothing. The demonstration that I am giving is on laying the pattern on the material and getting ready to cut out. This series of demonstrations will end in April with a county-wide dress review. The county-wide winner will enter the district review at Wichita Falls in May.

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McCaulley Club See Demonstration on Backgrounds for Room

Members of the McCaulley Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. A. G. Smith last Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for an agent's demonstration.

Mrs. Jerry Maberry presided. Mrs. George Maberry led the recreation, and Mrs. C. A. McHone gave the council report.

A demonstration on "Backgrounds for Living Rooms" was given by Miss S. C. Kinsey, county home demonstration agent.

The club adjourned to meet January 21 with Mrs. Frank Kemp.

Officers of the McCaulley Club for the new year are: Mrs. Jerry Maberry, president; Mrs. Glenn Henderson, vice president; Mrs. Leo Masser, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. C. A. McHone, council delegate; Mrs. Louis H. Boyd, reporter; Mrs. Ray Maberry, parliamentarian; Mrs. George Maberry, recreation director; Mrs. Luther Maberry, THDA chairman.

Full Length Mirrors Are Easily Installed

Full length door mirrors are installed easily. Measure the door and order the size from your dealer. When measuring ascertain the distance from edge to edge of the door itself. This over-all width determines which of the standard mirror sizes will cover the recessed door panel.

Install the mirror with the door in place, or remove door pins so that door may be laid flat. Center the mirror so recessed panels are covered.

Many manufacturers provide sturdy white frames for mirrors.

NEED REFRIGERATION.

Like uncooked hams, fully cooked hams must be kept under refrigeration. They should be used within seven days of purchase. Freezing hams, or other cured pork, is not recommended.

A NEW PIE DESSERT.

Empty a can of sliced apples into a pie plate. Sprinkle with a little brown sugar and cinnamon. Bake in a moderate oven until bubbly and hot. Serve with vanilla ice cream for a delicious quick dessert.

State Health Officer Urges Physical Examination as New Year Resolution

Hamlin area people are urged by the state health officer to have a physical check-up to start off the new year. He declares in a special release to The Herald:

At this time of the year when everyone is making his New Year resolutions, Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, urges that one be included to do something about personal health. That resolution would be to have a complete physical check-up.

This is the time for the person 40 years old and over to take stock of the situation as far as he is concerned. The best way to prepare for a continuing happy life is to begin early. An important thing is the periodic check-up by your doctor. A health problem discovered early is always easier to correct. Prevention is the watchword. The principal foes of health to confront in the middle years are heart disease, cancer, high blood pressure, hardened arteries, diabetes and arthritis.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death. A person with a damaged heart should learn his limitations and not exceed them. Many persons with heart disease lead useful and productive lives by following their physician's instructions.

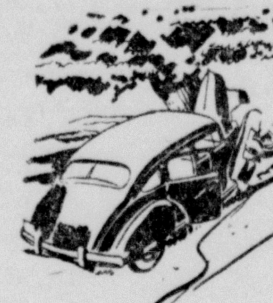
Cancer is the second leading cause of death. Many types of cancer can either be cured or be brought under control if found early and diagnosed. This is another important reason why the periodic medical check-up is a "must."

Diabetes is a condition in which the body cannot use sugar. If you have not been tested lately

to see if this has developed, you should do so at once.

Three of the diseases common to the after-40 group are concerned with the circulation of the blood. These are apoplexy, hardened arteries and high blood pressure. You will want your physician to check your blood pressure.

A great deal can be done to arrest certain forms of arthritis. The person may be put on a special diet. The doctor may advise the removal of some hidden infections. Let's plan to keep well during 1954.



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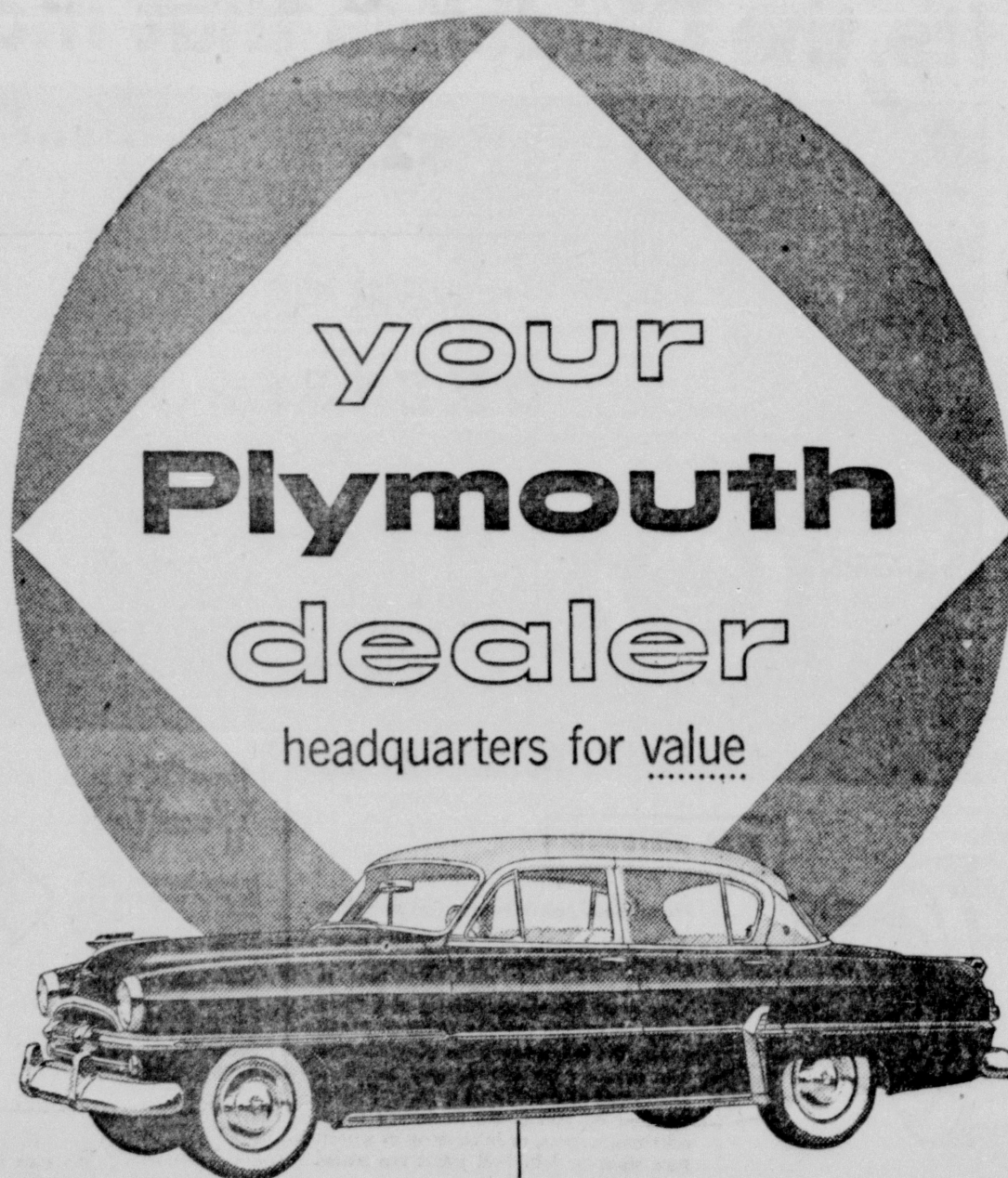
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Cotton Outlook

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quotas, the 1954 crop will be more than one-third smaller than the 1953 crop. This will mean a sharp reduction in cash receipts from cotton.

Now, what about the domestic demand for cotton? Domestic mill consumption of cotton in 1953-54, August 1, 1953, to August 1, 1954, which does not include much of the 1954 cotton crop, is expected to be between 9,000,000 and 9,500,000 bales compared to 9,500,000 bales consumed in 1952-53. Delivery of cotton to the military forces will probably be smaller in 1953-54 than in the period in 1952-53. The consumption of synthetic fibers in 1953 will probably be a record high of about 1,600,000,000 pounds. All these factors point to a small decline in domestic mill consumption of cotton for 1953-54. An increase in economic activity causes the amount of cotton consumed per person to increase. On the other hand, increases in the price of cotton and in the amount of synthetic fiber consumer per capita causes the per capita consumption of cotton to decline.

Let's take a look at exports: In the 1951-52 season we exported 5,500,000 bales. In the 1952-53 season we exported 3,000,000 bales. This is quite a drop in cotton exports. There is only a hope that for this season, August 1, 1953, to August 1, 1954, as a whole exports will turn out no worse and possibly a little better than in 1952-53.

Outlook for the 1954 crop: First, we know that the 1954 crop will be supported at 90 per cent of parity. This is the law. Second, we will have acreage allotments in 1954. This should tend to help the price but will cut down on total cash receipts from cotton. However, there is still some possible uncertainty as to what the production control program will be for the 1954 crop. Given this uncertainty and that of our price policy beyond August 1, 1954, and given the importance of the related psychological factors, it is more than usually difficult at this time to take a clear view as to the outlook for the 1954 cotton crop. Watch international developments closely, as well as the general economic situation in the latter part of 1954 and first part of 1955.



THREE GENERATIONS TOGETHER FOR ANNIVERSARY—The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Roy Cullen, Houston oil man philanthropist, was celebrated by 600 at the Cullen home in Houston. Left to right are, Mr. Cullen; his daughter, Mrs. Corbin Robertson; Mrs. Cullen, and in Mrs. Robertson's arms, Lillie Therese Robertson, named after her grandmother, Mrs. Cullen.

Outlook for wheat in 1954: A smaller wheat crop is the forecast for 1954. If the acreage seeded approximates the national allotment of 62,000,000 acres, and if yields are normal, we will produce about 950,000,000 bushels. Output in 1953 is estimated at 1,203,000,000 bushels. The anticipated 1954 crop would about meet domestic needs and export needs in 1954-55. This should prevent a substantial build-up in carry-over stocks.

What about the supply of wheat? Even though wheat production in 1954 declines, the total supply for 1954-55 would still be close to record levels. The carry-over of July 1, 1954, is expected to be around 800,000,000 bushels. The highest on record and nearly 45 per cent higher than on July 1, 1953.

Now let's take a look at the demand for wheat: About 700,000,000 bushels of wheat are expected to be used in the United States in 1954-55. This period is the marketing year, July 1, 1954, to June 30, 1955. This would leave about 1,050,000,000 for export and carry-over.

Exports are likely to remain below the level of most recent years, since domestic production in importing countries has recovered from war-time levels. Marketing quotas will be in effect for all farms planting more than 15 acres of wheat. Price supports at 90 per cent of parity

will be available for those who stay within their acreage allotments. Marketing penalties equal to 45 per cent of the wheat parity as of May 1, 1954, will apply on any wheat produced on acres in excess of the farm allotment. Quotas can be expected to reduce production.

Adjustments in 1954: Acreage allotments for wheat will mean a substantial adjustment for many individual farmers, particularly in the specialized wheat areas. Twice in the last 35 years farmers have expanded wheat production in response to war-time or world emergency demands. Each major expansion has been followed by severe problems of readjustment.

Outlook for feed and feed grains in 1954: Total supplies of feed grains and other concentrates for the 1953-54 feeding season are slightly larger than in the past two years. However, supplies vary sharply by areas. In the Southwest, Texas included, the drought has reduced feed crop production, and present supplies are below average.

The 1953-54 corn supply is near a new record; but supplies of oats, barley and sorghum grains are all below the average of recent years. Because of the large corn supply, the carry-over of feed grains as of October 1, 1954, will be near the all-time high. This will tend to reduce prices for the 1954 feed crop. Large quantities of 1953 corn are expected to be placed under price supports, which may result in some tightening of the supply situation and only slightly seasonally advancing prices later

before the 1954 crop comes on the market. The prices of all feed grains are expected to remain lower this winter than a year ago; but some feed grain prices may strengthen before the 1954 crops are harvested.

Prices of high protein feeds are expected to remain lower in the early part of 1954 than a year earlier but may advance later in the 1953-54 feeding year if hog and poultry production increases early in 1954. Prices for the 1954 feed crop probably will average slightly below or about the support level in view of the outlook for increased supplies.

Outlook for dairy products in 1954: The year 1954 may bring the dairy industry many experiences similar to those of 1953.

Consumer demand for milk products will be about as strong in 1954 as it was in 1953. Production of milk may about equal that of 1953. However, the carry-over of manufactured dairy products into 1954, including government price support holdings, will be a record high.

The total supply of milk and dairy products in 1954 will be equivalent to about 128,000,000,000 pounds of whole milk, compared to 124,000,000,000 in 1953.

Consumption of individual dairy products, such as milk, butter and cheese, probably will change little from 1953 to 1954 unless price supports are reduced substantially. In that case, consumption would increase.

Dairy costs may decline this year, and net income from the dairy enterprise probably will be little different in 1954 from that of 1953.

With demand and supply prospects at the present time, perhaps more than in other recent years, the price may depend heavily upon the level at which dairy supports will be set for the marketing year which begins April 1, 1954.

The support price for milk and for butterfat must be set at between 75 and 90 per cent of parity.

Committees Named by Faith Methodist Men

At a business session of members of Methodist Men organization of the Faith Methodist Church held Tuesday evening following the charter night services, committees for the ensuing year were named.

V. R. Bond, Bill Dominey and Henry Marchman were named directors. G. W. Renfro and V. R. Bond were elected as the program committee. G. W. Bond and Bill Dominey were appointed as a project committee. Recreation committee is composed of N. L. Crowley and Bill Dominey.

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McCAULLEY NEWS

By ALETTA COOK

McCauley High School boys' and girls' basketball teams took two wins over the Blackwell squads Tuesday night for their second conference games of the season.

Benefit basketball games for the polio fund were played Saturday night against Hawley. The McCauley girls defeated the Hawley girls, but the McCauley boys lost.

Several new pupils have started to the McCauley Schools the last few days.

Members of the senior class of McCauley High School had a class party last Thursday night in the home of Jean Kean. Those of the class attending were Palma Lawlis, Aletha Cook, Jean Kean, Donnie Cox, Mary Lou Maberry, Pat Rector, Donald Kidd, George Decker, James Woods, Robert Gartman and Norman Current.

OIL ACTIVITY

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Jones & Stasney No. 1 A. Smith, wildcat two miles northeast of Tuxedo and about 11 miles northeast of Hamlin, was perforating Wednesday. Operator plans to test the Swastika lime section at 2,824-30 feet, which recovered 560 feet of free oil and 190 feet of heavily oil and gas cut mud on a drillstem test. The well was drilled to 4,944 feet and plugged back to 2,900 feet. Location is in Section 58, B. B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey.

Robert M. Bass of Kilgore has announced location for a 1,500-foot northeast outpost to production six miles northwest of Hamlin in Fisher County as his No. 1 W. B. Wade. It will be 3,300 feet from the south and east lines of the southwest quarter of Section 191, Block 1, B. B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey. Proposed depth is 5,000 feet.

Statistics show that clergymen live longer than anyone else—evidently they are the best risks here and hereafter.

LIFE'S MYSTERY.

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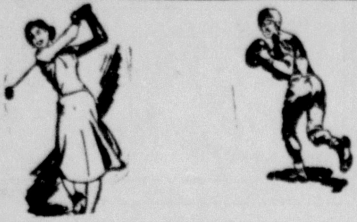


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The Herald's Page of Sports



Full Cage Schedule Started By DePriest Colored School

Boys Face Teams From Four Bigger Cities of Section

Eight conference games are on the 1954 basketball schedule of the DePriest High School basketball squad that started Wednesday night with a tilt at Big Spring.

Coach E. S. Morgan said his Eagle quintet was one of the fastest in the history of DePriest School at Hamlin, and he predicted the boys would give the other teams of District 21 a run for the district crown, despite the fact that all the other teams are from much larger towns than Hamlin.

The complete schedule follows:

January 12—DePriest vs. Big Spring at Big Spring.

January 15—DePriest vs. Stamford at Hamlin.

January 21—DePriest vs. Sweetwater at Sweetwater.

January 23—DePriest vs. Colorado City at Colorado City.

January 25—DePriest vs. Stamford at Stamford.

January 26—DePriest vs. Sweetwater at Hamlin.

January 28—DePriest vs. Colorado City at Hamlin.

January 30—DePriest vs. Big Spring at Hamlin.

The local games will be played in the Junior High School gymnasium, and a small door admission will be charged.

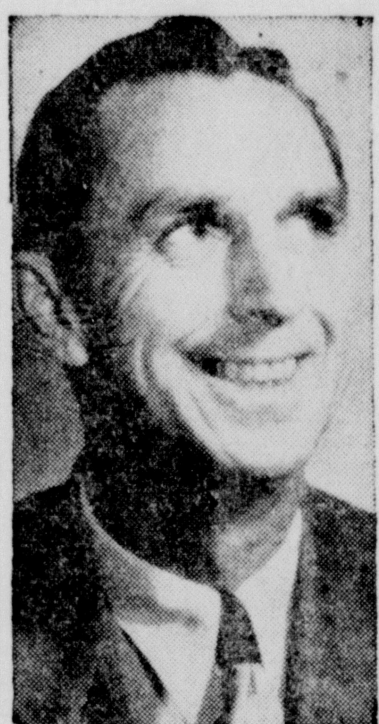
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COURT OF YEAR—The Texas Sports Writers Association has named Mithun (Cafish) Smith (above) as the senior college coach of the year in Texas. Smith's East Texas Lions football team scored 29 consecutive victories through the regular season play and on January 1 fought to a 7 to 7 tie with Arkansas State in the Longhorn Bowl game. Smith has since resigned and is prominently mentioned as one of those in line for the vacant coaching position at Texas A & M.

DISTRICT TEAM STANDINGS

Team standings for District 4-AA basketball aggregations began to take shape this week as four the five teams of the district engaged in tilts.

The standings looked like this after the Tuesday night fracas:

| Team | P. | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---------------|----|----|----|-------|
| Hamlin | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10.00 |
| Stamford | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Anson | 2 | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Colorado City | 0 | 0 | 0 | — |
| Rotan | 2 | 0 | 2 | .000 |

Results Last Week.

Anson 35, Rotan 29.

Stamford 64, Anson 43.

Hamlin 39, Rotan 37.

Tuesday night's Colorado City-Stamford game was postponed.

Yellowhammers Give Pipers Scare As Locals Win 39-37

Hamlin High School's Pipers were given a scare Tuesday night in their tilt with the Rotan Yellowhammers that ended in a 39 to 37 victory for the locals on the Junior High School gymnasium floor.

The Pipers led 22 to 9 at the half, then the Hammers came back strong and got within one point of Coach John Taylor's men at one time. Kenneth Hewett was high point man for Hamlin with 14, while D. Waddell led the Rotan boys with 10 markers.

The box score follows:

| Team | W. | L. | Pt. | Reb. |
|---------------------|----|----|-----|------|
| HAMLIN (39) | | | | |
| James Eddie Jay, f. | 2 | 4 | 8 | 8 |
| Justin Rowland, f. | 2 | 5 | 1 | 9 |
| Robert Bowen, f. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Billy Finckman, c. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Kenneth Hewett, g. | 5 | 4 | 14 | 1 |
| Jimmy Ray, g. | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Totals | 11 | 17 | 10 | 29 |
| ROTAN (37) | | | | |
| Wesley, f. | 3 | 1 | 7 | 7 |
| Punk, f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wagoner, f. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hamlin, f. | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Bain, f. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Ashey, f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D. Waddell, c. | 5 | 0 | 10 | 10 |
| Garland, c. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Jay Waddell, c. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Jenkins, g. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Bridges, g. | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Taggart, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Posey, g. | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Barker, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Swearingen, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 18 | 5 | 37 | 37 |

Work-Outs Started By Track Aspirants

Although there are only a few lettermen back to hit the cinder paths, Coach Vernon Townsend said this week that he hopes to have a good track team at Hamlin High School this spring.

First work-outs were staged Monday afternoon with track and football boys running who are not out for basketball. The cagers will join the festivities as soon as the basketball schedule is over.



BANTAM BEN NAMED MALE ATHLETE OF 1953—Bantam Ben Hogan, relaxing with his wife, Valerie, at the Tamarrisk Country Club at Palm Springs, California, hears the news that he's been named "Male Athlete of the Year" in the annual Associated Press poll. The winner of golf's triple crown last year said it was his U. S. Open victory that gave him his biggest thrill. Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano was runner-up to Hogan in the poll.

PIGGY-BACK MAYBE.

The lady and her dog boarded a train for a cross-country trip. When the conductor approached her she said:

"I presume, sir, that since I have purchased a first class ticket for my Cuddles that she'll be permitted to ride in a seat just like other passengers."

"Yes, madam," replied the conductor, "she'll be permitted to ride in a seat, providing, of course, she doesn't put her feet on the upholstery."

Rubber stamps at The Herald.

FEMALE COMMENTS.

Two rival authoresses met the other day. One had just had a new book published.

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EXPLAINS THINGS.

Cricket—"I shudder every time I think of some handsome man kissing me."

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Hamlin Boxers Win Third of Bouts in 21-Match Card Monday Night at Munday

Boxers from Hamlin, under the leadership of Coach Don McLaughlin continued to hold their own pretty well Monday night, when they met boxers from six West Texas towns and took one-third of the 21 bouts on the evening's card. The bouts were staged at Munday.

Wichita Falls fisticuffs took four bouts, Knox City and Seymour boxers won three each, and Munday and Lueders trailed with two each after the festivities were tabulated.

Two technical knock-out decisions were rendered. Joe Willis, 150-pounder from Lueders, won over 150-pound Billy Cowart of Seymour, and Claud Kessels, 135-pounder from Wichita Falls, took a technical knock-out over Simon Chavez, 135, of Munday.

Complete results follow:

Carman Britto, 70, of Hamlin, defeated Gerald Chandler, 70, of Seymour. Jimmy Hill, 85, of Hamlin, defeated Billy McConnell, 85, of Wichita Falls. Bobby Swanson, 115, of Wichita Falls, defeated Jerry Mullins, 115, of Haskell. Harold Siles, 125, of Munday, defeated Harold Alcock, 125, of Knox City. Frank Williams, 120, of Wichita Falls, defeated Kenneth Kelly, 117, of Hamlin. Dudley Griggs, 75, of Hamlin, defeated O. C. Parker, 75, of Munday. Ray Williams, 120, of Hamlin, defeated Wilbert Finley, 114, of Munday. Leonard Hart, 145, of Knox City, defeated Milton Beasley, 147, of Wichita Falls. David Johnson, 135, of Hamlin, defeated Kenneth Copeland of Wichita Falls. Lane Fletcher, 135, of Hamlin, defeated James Harris, 138, of Seymour. Billy Kelly, 115, of Hamlin, defeated Jack Gray, 114, of Wichita Falls. Joe Willis, 150, of Lueders, won by a technical knock-out over Billy Cowart, 150, of Seymour. Jimmy Edgar, 74, of Lueders, defeated Danny Burt, 70, of Knox City. Joe Crump, 147, of Seymour, defeated Jerry Beasley, 148, of Knox City. James Busby, 148, of Knox City, defeated Bob Norman, 147, of Seymour. Aubrey Ringerstaff, 157, of Seymour, defeated Donnie Shaw, 127, of Wichita Falls. Paul Burt, 135, of Knox City, defeated Jimmy Hollingsworth, 135, of Munday. Terry Woods, 130, of Seymour, defeated Arthur Lettsin, 135, of Wichita Falls. Claude Kessels, 135, of Wichita Falls, took a technical knock-out win over Simon Chavez, 135, of Munday. Dickey Don Wood, 127, of Wichita Falls, defeated V. R. Roberts, 130, of Seymour.

Piperetes Lose Cage Tilt to Rotan 25 to 19 As District Opener

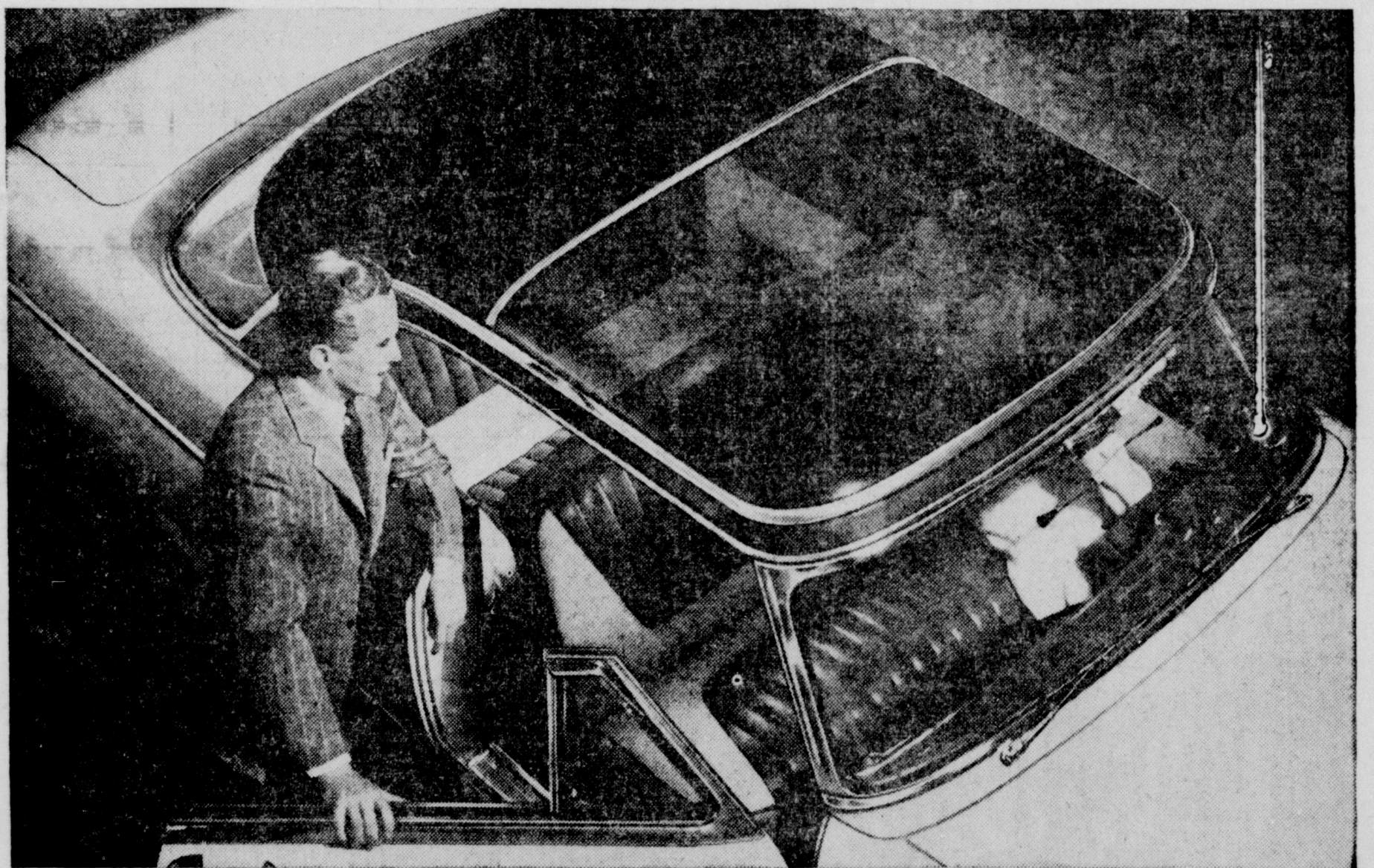
Hamlin High School Piperetes played their first district 4-AA basketball game Tuesday night in the Hamlin Junior High School gymnasium and dropped the tilt by 25 to 19 score.

Forward Lear of Rotan was high point player for the evening with 11, and Atha Lea Grice for the Piperetes was second with nine markers.

The box score follows:

| Team | W. | L. | Pt. | Reb. |
|-----------------------|----|----|-----|------|
| HAMLIN (19) | | | | |
| Atha Lea Grice, f. | 4 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| Jonelle Maberry, f. | 3 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Pat Stuart, f. | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 |
| Atha Lois Rodgers, f. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Annette Smith, f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pat Fickenshtein, f. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Malba Uckerl, g. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Martin Hubbard, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Janis Crowley, g. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 8 | 3 | 18 | 19 |
| ROTAN (25) | | | | |
| Kingsfield, f. | 2 | 5 | 0 | 9 |
| Hamlin, f. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| Lear, f. | 5 | 1 | 5 | 11 |
| Smith, f. | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| C. Hargrove, f. | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Kiker, g. | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| McKnight, g. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hayes, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J. Hargrove, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 9 | 7 | 14 | 25 |

Next game on the girls' schedule will be a tilt with the Anson Tigresses on the local court.



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Announcements for Political Office

The Hamlin Herald is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to action of the Democratic primary election on Saturday, July 24, 1954:

FISHER COUNTY:
For Commissioner, Precinct 2:
JERRY CROWLEY

JONES COUNTY:
For Commissioner, Precinct 1:
JOHNIE AGNEW

For County Superintendent:
EVERETT BEAVERS

Everett Beavers Asks Re-election as County School Superintendent

This opportunity is taken to express my appreciation to the people and schools of Jones County for the cooperation received while serving as your county superintendent, and to ask re-election to the office. For the responsibility you have entrusted to me I am deeply grateful.

My qualifications have been presented before, but please permit me to review them with you:

I am 43 years of age; married, with one child; and hold both the bachelor and master of arts degrees with a major in administrative education from the University of Texas.

My experience includes 19 years in the school business, classified as follows: One year as an elementary teacher, three years as high school teacher and coach, two years as high school principal, five years as superintendent of an independent school district, and the remainder as your county superintendent. This service has been continuous, with the exception of a little more than three years spent in the armed forces during World War II.

The training and experience outlined above give me a thorough knowledge of all phases of school work which will enable me to continue to serve you efficiently as your county school superintendent.

Your vote and influence will be appreciated. If you choose to return me to the office, I shall continue to give to you and the schools of Jones County honest, prompt, efficient and courteous service, striving always to make you a better county superintendent. Respectfully submitted—Everett Beavers.

Forget the sorrows of the past and be glad for the pleasures of today.

Hamlin Memorial Hospital Notes

Patients admitted to the Hamlin Memorial Hospital since last week's report in The Herald have included: Mrs. W. E. Cooley, surgery, January 1; Mrs. Eldon Prescott, surgery, January 4; Mrs. Carl Ingram, medical, January 4; Mrs. Willard Jones, medical, January 5; Jeanne Jones, medical, January 5; Mrs. Ross Gruben of McCauley, medical, January 5; E. S. Williams of Sylvester, medical, January 4; A. L. Barnes of Roby, medical, January 1; Mrs. Sam Taylor of McCauley, ob., January 5; Joey Newman of McCauley, medical, December 26; L. L. Skagg, medical, January 5; Mrs. A. Teague, medical, January 8; J. D. Gholson of Aspermont, medical, January 7; Mrs. Victoria McCrary, medical, January 6; Mrs. D. L. Carmen of Aspermont, medical, January 8; Mrs. Wilson Brannon, medical, January 8; Mrs. W. W. Boyd, medical, January 9; Mrs. E. D. Decker, medical, January 8; Arlene Forbes of Longworth, medical, January 8; Rusty White of Abilene, medical, January 6; J. P. Potts of Roby, medical, January 7; Douglas Sharer, medical, January 1; Albert Schubert of Longworth, medical, January 10; Mrs. W. G. Ferguson, ob., January 11; Mrs. Ben McNeely, medical, January 10;

Mrs. Roy Stinnett, medical, January 10; Mrs. Harold Reed of Sylvester, medical, January 11; Mrs. Bill Bragg of Midland, ob., January 7.

Patients Dismissed—Mrs. R. L. Boiles, December 26; Jeanie Joiner, medical, December 27; Kinney Thompson of Sweetwater, December 24; Vickie Gholson of Aspermont, December 28; Clyde Boiles, medical, December 29; Mrs. R. B. Boiles, December 31; Mrs. Cliff Crowley, December 30; Mrs. H. Boiles, December 29; Donnie Nelli Cox of McCauley, December 31; Jerry Jeffrey, December 31; Vernon Sharer, December 31; Clifford Sharer, January 1; Danny Kendrick of Sweetwater, December 26; Rickie Newman of McCauley, December 30; Mrs. J. W. Fuqua, December 28; Mrs. J. W. Stapler, January 1; Mrs. Floyd Cornelius of Rotan, January 2; Joe Triveno of Nienda, January 2; Mrs. D. A. Self of Sylvester, January 2; Rickie Newman, December 30; Mrs. Willard Jones, January 5; Jeanne Jones, January 5; E. S. Williams of Sylvester, January 6; Mrs. Sam Taylor of McCauley, January 5; Joey Newman of McCauley, December 26; L. L. Skagg, January 5; Arlene Forbes of Longworth, January 8; Rusty White of Abilene, January 6; J. P. Potts of Roby, January 7; Douglas Sharer, January 10; Mrs. Bill Bragg of Midland, January 7.

Mrs. C. P. Chastain Dies Thursday at Family Residence

Final rites for Mrs. C. P. Chastain, 77-year-old Hamlin resident who was a pioneer of this western Texas area, were conducted Sunday afternoon at the family residence in Southwest Hamlin at 3:00 o'clock. Rev. Duane Bruce, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiated.

Burial was in the Hamlin East Cemetery under direction of Barrow Funeral Home.

Surviving the pioneer are her husband, "Judge" C. P. Chastain; a daughter, Mrs. Perry H. Sparks, wife of the Hamlin postmaster; two sons, Neal A. Chastain of Spur and Dr. Claud H. Chastain of Lilbourne, Missouri; and three grandchildren.

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HAMLIN, TEXAS

George Hinson Seeks Lieutenant Governor

Representative George T. Hinson of Mineola, a leader in the fight for higher teachers' pay in the last session of the Legislature this week announced that he will be a candidate for lieutenant governor. He stated that he will file for a place on the Democratic primary ballot immediately.

"I'm a Democrat and will neither seek nor accept the Republican nomination. There are many occasions when bi-partisan policy is necessary, but I don't believe in bi-partisan candidates," Hinson declared.

COULDN'T REPLY.

Son—"A boy told me today I looked like you, daddy."

Dad—"That's nice. What did you say?"

Son—"Nothing. He was a lot bigger than me."

Baptists of County Meet Tuesday at Lueders Church

Rev. Houston Walker, pastor of the Hamlin First Baptist Church, will give the inspirational message when Baptists of the area meet next Tuesday afternoon and evening in the monthly Workers' Conference of the Jones County Baptist Association at the Lueders First Baptist Church.

Theme for the meeting will be "A Million More in '54 to Evangelize in '55."

Complete program for the gathering follows:

4:30 p. m.—Evangelism Promotion Period, for all pastors and associational officers.

5:30—Supper and board meetings.

7:00—Song and praise service, directed by Johnie Agnew by Plainview church. Scripture reading by Albert Hincley.

7:15—Recognitions and announcements.

7:30—Sunday School Period—Alvin Lory presiding.

"Importance of Training in Reaching a Million More in '54," Bertie Agnew.

"Importance of Training in

Katy Carloadings for Week Under Last Year

Revenue freight cars loaded on the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway Lines during the week ended January 1, 1954, totaled 3,288 compared with 3,693 for the same week a year ago. There were 3,435 carloads received from connecting railroads, as against 3,605 during the comparable week a year earlier.

This brought the number of revenue freight cars handled during the week to 66,721 as against 72,993 during the comparable week of a year ago.

HAD A SOLUTION.

Dentist—"I thought you said this tooth hadn't been filled before? I find traces of gold on my drill."

Patient (feebly)—"Perhaps you have struck my collar button."

A lie may not have legs to stand on, but it sure has wings to fly.

Reaching a Million More in '54," B. B. Phillips.

"Importance of Visitation in Reaching a Million More in '54," J. D. Mabry.

8:15—Evangelism Period, David Kuykendall presiding.

Inspirational Message, Houston Walker of Hamlin.

Talent Performers of Hamlin Area Get Bid to Second Annual Audition Soon

Talented people with a yen for stage auditions of the Hamlin section were being extended an invitation this week to participate in the second annual Cavalcade of Talent sponsored by the Abilene High School Band Parents Club in lining up for a performance February 9 in Rose Field House at Hardin-Simmons University.

Acts of all kinds—magicians, singers, dancers, Western and popular bands, cartoonists, jugglers, instrumentalists—are being lined up, according to Reuben H. Boyd, president of the club.

The second show will be much on the line of last year's show, which drew a more than capacity crowd, Boyd said. In fact, he added, several hundred had to be turned away from the high school auditorium.

For that reason, the club decided to move the show to Rose Field House this year, where there ought to be plenty of room for everyone, he said.

A variety show, it will have both amateur and professional acts, declared Boyd. Some are expected from Brownwood, Sweetwater, Albany, Coleman, Hamlin, Stamford,

and from the Abilene colleges.

Application blanks are now available at the Windsor Hotel lobby desk and should be returned by next week. Auditions will be January 30, Boyd said.

Contestants will be judged by age groups—grammar school, high school, college and professional, Boyd said. There will be a winner in each group who will be eligible for the grand prize. An

applause meter will be used in the judging, he said. Johnny Harper is director of the show, and John Horne is talent committee chairman.

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| Cream Corn Golden or white Gardenside 2 No. 303 Cans 25¢ | Bartlett Pears Highway 4 No. 2 1/2 Cans \$1.00 | Apricot Halves Highway 4 No. 2 1/2 Cans \$1.00 |
| Golden Corn Highway whole kernel 2 12-oz. Cans 29¢ | Pie Cherries Honeybird Sour, pitted 4 No. 2 Cans \$1.00 | Fruit Cocktail Hostess Delight 3 No. 2 1/2 Cans \$1.00 |
| Greens Mustard or turnip greens Highway 3 No. 303 Cans 25¢ | Fruit Juice Pineapple LaLani 4 46-oz. Cans \$1.00 | Pineapple Juice LaLani 3 No. 211 Cans 25¢ |
| Sweet Peas or early June Gardenside 2 No. 303 Cans 25¢ | Fruit Juice Grapefruit Towa House Natural 12 No. 2 Cans \$1.00 | Pineapple Juice LaLani 2 No. 2 Cans 25¢ |
| Tomatoes Gardenside Standard quality 2 No. 303 Cans 25¢ | Fruit Juice Grapefruit Towa House Natural 46-oz. Can 21¢ | Orange Juice Full O'Gold 46-oz. Can 29¢ |

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| Apple Cider | Westfair | 32-oz. Bot. 33¢ |
| Blended Juice | Orange and Grapefruit | 46-oz. Can 26¢ |
| Asparagus | Sunnybank Allgreen | No. 300 42¢ |
| Sweet Peas | Sugar Belle Fancy quality | No. 303 18¢ |
| Sweet Milk | Lucerne, Home or pasteurized | Qt. Can. 24¢ |
| Sweet Milk | Lucerne, Home | 1/2-Gal. Can. 47¢ |
| Buttermilk | Lucerne | 1/2-Gal. Can. 39¢ |
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BABY CHICKS—Choice hatching dates are booking rapidly; help us to help you by placing your order now; come in or call 102-J2. —Hillcrest Hatchery, four and one-half miles east on Stamford Highway. 10-tfc

FOR SALE—Heavy beaded hegar; location, Nienda. See Paul Gentry, phone 135-J2. 10-tfc

FOR SALE—1947 model Massey-Harris 44 tractor. See at Wade Farm Machinery Company or call Mrs. J. J. Crawford, telephone 189-J. 11-2p

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FOR THE BEST BUY in new or used vacuum cleaners; free demonstration without obligation; repair on any make, call or write your Kirby dealer, Blodgett's Kirby Company, 1422 Pine, Abilene, Texas. Phone 2-1541. 5-tfc

HOUSEWIVES—Address advertising postcards. Must have good handwriting.—Linda, Watertown, Massachusetts. 10-4p

I WANT someone to break up my garden spot. Call 459-W. 1p

FOR TRADE—My equity in 1932 Schult trailer for furniture; located at Simpson's Trailer Courts. p

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Cotton Farmers Still Taking Beating From Dip in Exports That Cuts Price

Cotton farmers of the Hamlin section and the rest of Texas are still taking a beating from the declining exports of the fiber.

The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture reveals that exports in July amounted to only 121,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, making a total of 3,181,000 bales for the year ended July 31, 1953. This figure represents only 56 per cent of the 5,711,000 bales shipped overseas in 1951-52 and is the lowest annual export total since 1947-48 when foreign importers delayed buying in expectation of the start of the European recovery program.

Texas Farm Bureau is trying to help halt the drop in exports of all commodities through its policy of "trade, not aid." As foreign markets are lost, surpluses begin piling up on this side of the ocean. Major obstacle to increasing agricultural exports at this time is the lack of purchasing power, caused by lack of dollars in foreign nations.

The American Farm Bureau Federation is attempting, through its "trade, not aid" program, to increase the flow of two-way trade so that foreigners might obtain U. S. dollars to buy U. S. imports. The idea of two-way trade received serious attention at the recent state Farm Bureau convention.

Price competition is also largely responsible for the loss of foreign markets for U. S. cotton. Large quantities of cotton were available at the beginning of the season in foreign exporting countries. Prices of foreign fiber declined sharply during the latter part of 1951-52, but the prices for U. S. cotton did not decline sub-

stantially until the 1952-53 marketing year. When the decline in the United States market was halted at about the government loan level, prices of most foreign cotton were stabilized at levels lower than that in this country.

The increasing number of trade agreements, including barter trade, negotiated among foreign countries and involving cotton trade in 1952-53 was a factor in the loss of markets for U. S. growers.

Another important factor was the slowing down of aid from the U. S. his country has been pouring billions of dollars into Western European and Asiatic countries since World War II. Some of this money had been used to buy U. S. cotton, among other things.

NO RETALIATION.

A bride-to-be was showing her friend a list of guests to be invited to the wedding.

After her friend had read the names she looked puzzled.

"What's the matter?" asked the bride-to-be.

"Isn't it rather strange," queried the friend, "you have only put down the names of married couples?"

"Yes, that was Jack's idea. Don't you think it's rather clever? He says that if we invite only married people the presents will all be clear profit."

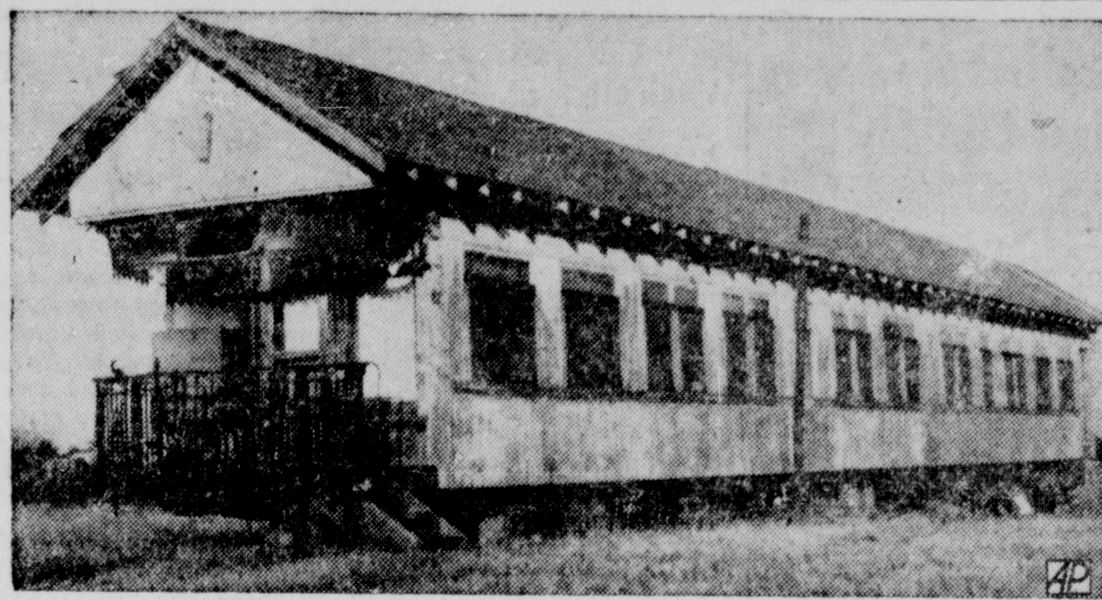
EASY TO PLEASE.

"I want to buy Mary a present. What do you think she would like?"

"Does she like you?"

"Oh, yes, I am positive she likes me."

"If she likes you, she will like anything."



ONCE A PALACE—THE NATION'S FINEST—This weathered structure, almost knocked out by the elements, once was a railroad palace, the nation's finest private railroad car. It belonged to the fabulous tycoon of the railroads, Jay Gould and now rests between Kilgore and Henderson.

Farmers of Area Interested in New Rainfall Meter

Along with other farmers and ranchers of Texas, those of the Hamlin territory are interested in reported scientific rainfall forecasts.

Radar measurements of rainfall soon will give farmers and ranchers a better idea of how much rainfall they can depend on, scientists at a national conference at the University of Texas said.

The electronic device, developed during World War II to detect enemy aircraft and ships, can be modified to measure rain with much greater accuracy than standard rain gauges, Glenn E. Stout of the Illinois State Water Survey told the conference.

The greater accuracy and speed of rain measurements by radar will help engineers build more efficient dams and will reveal flash floods quicker so reservoir levels may be lowered in time to catch flood waters, Stout said.

He pointed out that a major factor in improving Texas' water situation could be the storage and use of the 85 per cent of Texas rainfall which many engineers estimate runs into the Gulf of Mexico.

A single rain measuring radar set can cover an area with a radius of from 30 to 100 miles, Stout declared.

Cost of installing such radar equipment is expected to delay for several years the establishment of a national network. However, scientists expressed the hope that other uses of such equipment would make such a network feasible.

THEN SCRAPING BEGAN.

Wife—"Do you have a good memory for faces, dear?"

Husband—"Of course, I have."

Wife—"That's good. I have just dropped your shaving mirror."

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Trends toward not only water and soil conservation in the Hamlin region have been noted, but also fine interest in irrigation possibilities is being manifested.

Water supply has become as urgent a problem in some parts of Texas as flood control once was in other areas, Reuben Senterfitt, presiding officer of the House in the Texas Legislature, recently declared in an address at Austin.

The need for more water for agriculture, for industrial expansion and for air conditioning and sanitation in urban areas were cited as the main reasons for the rising demands for water.

He said the state is now using about two and one-half times as much water as in 1940. "Yet the amount we use each year is only about 15 per cent of the huge quantity that flows down Texas streams into the gulf."

Making more of that water available at the right time, in the right places, Mr. Senterfitt said, is one of the biggest problems now facing the state.

"We need to strengthen further our State Board of Water Engineers because we can no longer afford waste and misuse of our water."

He urged full cooperation by all citizens with the new water resources committee set up by the last Legislature to develop a long range water policy and conservation program for the entire state. The committee was given four years to do the job, but the law requires it to report to the Legislature on progress every six months.

Senterfitt was skeptical of relying on the federal government to tell Texans what kind of big dams to build and where. "We need to strengthen our local governments, with both the authority and the financial resources, to go farther and faster in building small structures on tributary streams," he declared.

He reported that about 75 per cent of all agricultural flood damage occurs on these tributary watersheds rather than along the major rivers. "In hundreds of instances, the same detention reservoirs that are so useful for flood control would also add to the needed water resources of small towns and communities," Senterfitt said.

The Hamlin area, for example, has possibilities for a number of reservoirs that would serve both to conserve soil and water for increased crop and livestock production, and add to the water table of the entire area for domestic and industrial consumption as well as provide sporting facilities the year round.

TEXAS CASH FARM INCOME CONTINUES DROP IN SEPTEMBER

Texas farm cash income continued to decline in September, falling 20 per cent below the same period last year, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports in a release to The Herald.

Livestock and livestock products, recently leaders in the downward trend, were 18 per cent lower than a year ago. Slight gains for dairy products (two per cent) and poultry and eggs (one half per cent) offset losses for meat animals (one per cent) and wool (two per cent).

In the first nine months of 1953 total farm income in Texas was 18 per cent below the same 1952 period. January-September, 1953, income was \$1,133,527,000 or \$249,712,000 less than in 1952.

However, showing increases during the first nine months of 1953 were oats, up 47 per cent (from \$6,357,000 to \$9,343,000); and rice, up 44 per cent (from \$31,072,000 to \$44,803,000).

Over 1,200 Expected To Be Enumerated In School Census

More than 1,200 scholastics are expected to be enumerated in the census of school children of the Hamlin Consolidated Independent School District, which got underway this week, it was indicated by Superintendent L. R. Huchingson, superintendent of schools, this week. Last year's enumeration totaled 1,191 children of school age residing in the 50-square mile district.

The increase is expected in view of a greater population residing now in the district, the school head declared. While considerable gain in population has been registered in the city of Hamlin proper, some decline still exists in the rural areas as a result of the drought of the past three years. Many rural families moved from the rural area when crop failures forced them to leave for livelihood elsewhere.

Film on Crippled Children's Home Sobers Lions Group

Probably the most solemn faces ever to adorn Hamlin Lions club members were in evidence when the Tuesday luncheon meeting of the civic group closed at the oil mill guest house this week.

They had just witnessed the showing of a colored film giving views of the Crippled Children's Home opened the past summer by Texas Lions Club near Kerrville. The film touched the hearts of the nearly 40 Lions and guests as it revealed activities of crippled children trying to swim, do handicraft work, eat and play in spite of their handicaps. As the kids approached the swimming pools in wheel chairs, slid onto special slides that went into the water, took off artificial limbs and stacked them beside the pools, tears welled in the eyes of most of the Hamlin Lions as they realized they had a part in such a worthwhile activity. I. R. Huchingson, a director of the children's home, declared that it was the only project of Lions ever to be incorporated under the Lions Club name.

A directors' meeting was announced by President C. C. Bailey for next Tuesday morning at the Hamlin Coffee Shop.

A male quartet from Abilene Christian College will furnish the program at next Tuesday's Lions Club meeting, it was announced.

Guest at the Tuesday luncheon was C. W. Switzer of Breckenridge.

TIME WILL ADJUST.

Tom—"I hope we'll agree after we're married."

Tess—"Maybe you won't at first, but you'll soon learn to."

Area Cattlemen Are Not Encouraged by Predictions of Cattle Market of Future

Hamlin area cattlemen, along with those of the rest of the state, face the coming winter with a forecast that cattle prices will remain low compared with a year ago during the next few months and may dip even lower.

Despite this outlook, says John G. McHaney, assistant extension economist, reduced cattle inventories should stabilize the market during the next few years.

Prices at Texas cattle markets dropped 56 per cent between April, 1951, and July, 1953. At mid-year producers were receiving 82 per cent of parity compared with 152 per cent in April, 1951, the all-time high. Cattle prices are today more in line with other agricultural products than they were

several months ago, McHaney declares.

Favorable grain and roughage supplies caused the nation's producers to add about 4,000,000 head to inventories during 1950. The following year price ceilings served as a stimulus for cattlemen to hold on to their beef animals and 5,500,000 million more animals were on farms by the end of 1951. That year cattle slaughter hit its lowest ebb in 10 years. Calf slaughter dropped to the lowest point in 18 years.

Record cattle numbers followed by the unprecedented drought has been responsible for increased marketings and, thus, lower prices paid to producers.

Charter No. 12700 Reserve District No. 11 Report of the Condition of the FARMERS AND MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF HAMLIN, TEXAS

At the close of business December 31, 1953, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

| ASSETS | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection. | \$1,131,677.86 |
| United States government obligations, direct and guaranteed. | 1,444,920.52 |
| Obligations of states and political subdivisions | 3,000.00 |
| Other bonds, notes and debentures. | 202,854.19 |
| Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank. | 6,000.00 |
| Loans and discounts (including \$8,960.51 overdrafts. | 2,113,758.01 |
| Bank premises owned. | \$19,000.00 |
| Furniture and fixtures. | 10,000.00 |
| Real estate owned other than bank premises. | 1.00 |
| Other assets. | 2,839.02 |
| Total Assets. | \$4,934,040.60 |

| LIABILITIES | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations. | \$3,948,737.88 |
| Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations. | 87,861.37 |
| Deposits of United States government (including postal savings). | \$1,247.90 |
| Deposits of states and political subdivisions. | 514,253.58 |
| Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, checks, etc.). | 9,473.63 |
| Total deposits. | \$4,641,574.36 |
| Total Liabilities. | \$4,641,574.36 |

| CAPITAL ACCOUNTS | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Capital stock. | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Surplus. | 100,000.00 |
| Undivided profits. | 63,931.24 |
| Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock). | 28,535.00 |
| Total capital accounts. | 292,466.24 |
| Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts. | \$4,934,040.60 |

| MEMORANDA | |
|--|---------------|
| Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes. | \$ 450,000.00 |
| Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof. | 701,320.29 |
| Real estate loans insured under Titles II, VI and VIII of the National Housing Act. | 41,839.76 |
| Loans insured or guaranteed by Veterans Administration—insured or guaranteed portions only. | 321.59 |
| Federal Housing Administration Title I repair and modernization installment loans, to the extent covered by insurance reserves. | 9,613.76 |
| Total amount of Loans, Certificates of Interest and Obligations, or portions thereof (listed above), which are fully backed or insured by agencies of the United States government (other than "United States government obligations, direct and guaranteed"). | 752,645.40 |

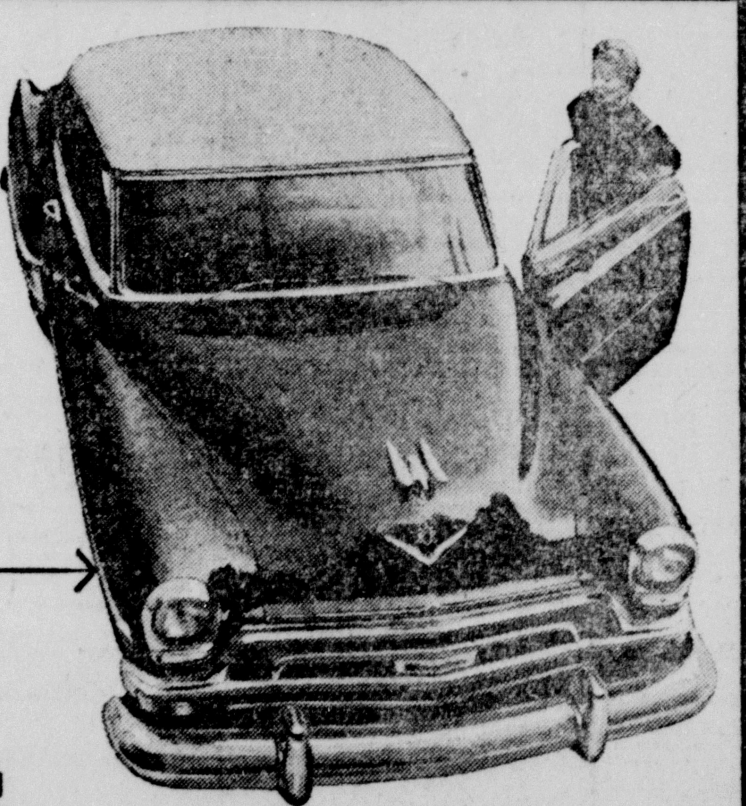
Total amount of loans, certificates of interest and obligations, or portions thereof, which are fully backed or insured by agencies of the United States government (other than "United States government obligations, direct and guaranteed"). 752,645.40

I, Lennie Greenway, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. — Lennie Greenway, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: J. B. Davenport, W. J. Bryant, W. C. Russell, Directors.

State of Texas, County of Jones:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of January, 1954, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.—May Gay, Notary Public, Jones County, Texas.



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